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	MAMMALIAN CELLS	:	

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

This Request for Continuation Examination, Amendment and Response is timely filed in response to the Final Office Action dated December 29, 2005. A Notice of Appeal was filed on February 28, 2006.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on pg 2 of this paper.

**Applicant's Comments Regarding Amendments** begin on pg. 4 of this paper.

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